

the CHITIMACHA NEWSLETTER

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NEWSLETTER
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"SOVEREIGN NATION OF THE CHITIMACHA"

NOTES FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

Dear Tribal Members:

Chairman's Notes:

At the beginning of February, several staff members and Tribal Council members attended Impact Week in Washington, D.C. While there, we met with the Americans for Tax Reform group that helps Native Americans fight taxation on Indian Gaming. We sat in on a meeting and discussed becoming a member along with other tribes in order to solicit help in tackling this drastic invasion on our rights as a sovereign nation.

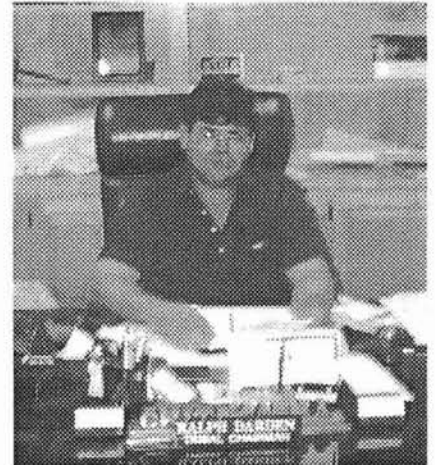
From that time till now eight more tribes have come on board to help fund the effort. As you may recall, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw had taken on this effort by themselves, but the more gaming tribes that become involved, the less cost it is to each tribe.

We visited with Billy Tauzin briefly while in Washington and explained the current project we have in the making and invited him to visit the Reservation. He visited here on February 20th and toured the reservation and the casino. He commented that the Tribe has come a long way since his last visit and that we are doing things right. He also stated that if State Gaming would be handled as well as our operation, they would not have any problems.

The Mardi Gras Parade was a great success and I want to thank everyone who took part and worked hard to make it even better than last year. The prize winners are: School Category; 1st - Paw Power, 2nd - Dumbo, 3rd - Circus Treats. Adult Category; Human Cannonball. We should meet in the very near future to determine the theme for next year and become more organized. As the parade grows so do all of the responsibility that goes along with it.

A meeting was held with Kevin Reilly (the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Economic Development) in order to inform him of the plans that the Tribe has for the future. He was very impressed, not only with the project, but with the relations that the Tribe has with the State and other local governments. He intends to make it a priority in the upcoming legislative session to try to appropriate approximately \$2 million toward the infrastructure costs of the development. We met with the parish president and parish

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Chairman Ralph C. Darden

"Kop's Korner"



**News from the Chitimacha P.D.
Frank McCloskey, Police Chief**

FEBRUARY 1997

For the month of February, the police department issued six traffic citations for speeding, one citation for not wearing seat belt and one citation for expired license plate. Three arrests were logged on charges ranging from theft, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and disturbing the peace intoxicated.

Congratulations to the following D.A.R.E graduates of the Chitimacha Tribal School:

**Tasia Bernard
Morgan Martin
Brian Sisk
Toni Darden
Byron Toups**

We are all very proud of these children who have learned to say "NO" to drugs. They will spread the word among their friends and neighbors that using drugs, alcohol, and tobacco just don't measure up! **Remember--A true friend would not ask you to do something wrong or dangerous, like drugs. Always think about the consequences. Be smart. Resist drugs, gangs, and violence.**

On January 29, Chief McCloskey and Officers Blaise Smith and Ellen Hebert gave a presentation to community elders at the Chitimacha Senior/Youth Center on "How To Avoid Ripoffs." Those attending viewed a video tape titled "Too Good To Be True--How To Avoid Ripoffs."

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The tape showed various scenarios on how con artists prey on innocent victims and how confidence schemes cheat them out of their hard earned savings. The tape carefully explained the schemes while allowing the viewer to see them unfold before their eyes. After viewing the tape there was a question and answer session and everyone was reminded that "If It Sounds Too Good To Be True, It Usually Is." Three door prizes were given away. Congratulations to the lucky winners -- Euna Vilcan, Gertrude and Donald Eddlemon.

We would like to remind any residents that would like to have their property and house contents video taped, for insurance purposes, in case of a disaster such as a hurricane or fire, to please call the police department and speak with Ellen Hebert in order to schedule a date and time.

On Saturday, February 8, Chief McCloskey led the way, with lights and siren, for the annual Mardi Gras parade on the reservation. Everyone did a great job with the floats and everybody that attended the parade had a great time. Thanks to Officers Mike Pontiff, Blaise Smith and Clayton Arnold and Deputy Paul Pillaro for helping with traffic control.

JUST THE FACTS -- CHILD SAFETY SEATS (FROM THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION)

Do children really need to be buckled up around town and on short trips?

Yes. Believe it or not, it's the short trips at low speeds that lead to the greatest number of crashes. About 75 percent of all crashes occur within 25 miles of home. In addition, about 40 percent of all fatal crashes occur on roads where the posted speed limit is 45 miles per hour or less. Low speed crashes or even a panic stop can cause serious injuries.

Isn't it safer for me to hold my child in my arms than use a safety seat?

No. For a child traveling in a motor vehicle, the most dangerous place to be held is in an adult's arms. This is often called the "child crusher position." In a crash of approximately 30 miles per hour, a ten pound infant

will be ripped from a belted adult's arms with a force of almost 200 0pounds. If the adult is not wearing a safety restraint, the child is likely to be crushed between the adult's body and the windshield, dashboard or back of the front seat.

Won't my passenger-side air bag protect my child even better than a car seat?

No. The best place for a child safety seat is in the back seat. Never use a rear-facing infant safety seat in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with an air bag on the passenger side. Remember, too, that children who are standing, kneeling, sitting on the edge of the passenger seat, or even sitting correctly in the seat (but unrestrained) in vehicles equipped with a passenger side air bag could be at risk of injury from an inflating air bag. Consult your owner's manual about the correct way to install child safety seats in your vehicle.

My child has "special needs," so conventional child safety seats don't work.

There are child seats on the market that are designed especially for children with special needs, such as prematurity, spina bifida, cerebral palsy, respiratory problems, various types of casting and other positioning challenges. The National Easter Seal Society developed a program, "Kids Are Riding Safe/Special Kids Are Riding Safe (KARS/Special KARS), through a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. It provides hospitals with educational materials, curriculum and structure to ensure that every infant or young child is riding safely. For more information about this program, contact the National Easter Seal Society at 312-726-6200.

**WE WISH
EVERYONE A
HAPPY AND SAFE
EASTER HOLIDAY!
IF YOU'RE
TRAVELING,
BUCKLE UP AND
DRIVE SAFELY!**

TRIBAL COURT NEWS

From: Holly A. Robicheaux, Tribal Courts Director

CURRENT COURT STATISTICS:

As of the 26th, there have been a total of 7 cases filed for the month of February, 3 Civil Actions (2 Garnishments and 1 Petition for Damages) ; 1 Criminal ; 1 Domestic Relations and 2 Traffic .

CASES PENDING AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 1997:

TRIBAL COURT:

- 18 - Civil (14 Torts/2 Judg.Debtor/
2 CV Comp.)
- 00- Criminal
- 01- Domestic
- 03 - Juvenile
- 02 - Traffic

TRIBAL APPELLATE COURT:

- 02 - Civil Tort Actions

MORTGAGE AND LIEN RECORDS

(As of Feb. 26th)

- 86 Assignments
- 01 Security Agreement

COURT SESSIONS:

Our monthly Tribal Court session was held on February 12, 1997, at which time 12 cases were scheduled to be heard;

1 Juvenile (Fact-Finding Hearing); 1 Regular Civil Complaint (Trial); 2 Judgment Debtor Rules; 2 Civil Traffic Infractions and 6 Torts (5 Motion Hearings/Jury/Non-Jury Determinations and 1 Rule To Show Cause).

A Special Tribal Court Session was conducted on February 20, 1997 at which time a Juvenile Dispositional Hearing was heard.

Our next regularly scheduled Tribal Court Session is March 5, 1997 with open session beginning at 10:00 a.m.

The Tribal Court Staff would like to **WELCOME BACK** our Deputy Clerk, Patricia Martin from maternity leave. We sure did **MISS HER!!!**

As always, if you would like any further information regarding the Tribal Court, please feel free to contact the Court at 923-7806.

NOTES FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

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attorney regarding the bonding issue to fund the spine road. It was determined that we may need legislative action for the parish to return the money to the tribe to pay for the construction since it becomes public money once it is remitted to the state. Another meeting should be held shortly to finalize the agreement necessary for this to take place.

The new swimming pool will soon be a reality. Plans have been drawn and accepted by the Tribal Council for a total cost of \$240,000.00 This includes a regulation size pool that enable us to hold swim meets in the future, along with a kiddie pool, dressing area office space for the Recreation Department and even a concession area. Tom and Becky Odisho of Royal Management donated \$100,000.00 to this project. They wanted to donate towards something that would enhance the lives of all members of the community. We certainly want to thank Tom and Becky for their generous donation and we look forward to having the pool completed by mid summer.

I want to offer my condolences to the Bernard family on the loss of their brother, Donald. As the priest said at the service, he has touched more lives than he realized. I think it is certainly true. He will be sadly missed, especially by those he saw on a daily basis at his set time.

Chitimacha Recreation

By: Jeri St.Blanc

Basketball at Chitimacha started with a 3-on-3 developmental league. We watched the kids improve their skills in dribbling, passing, and organized play. Most of all we had a good time. The league ended with a double elimination tournament.

Champions: Quin Allain, Morgan Martin, Elizabeth Toups, and Jenesse Dwyer.

Second: Amy Darden, Tasia Bernard, Chelsey Cook and Christina Dwyer.

Champions: (9 - 10) Grant Lagarde, Donelson Caffery, Daryl Toups and Jolby Schexnaildre.

Second Place: Blaise St.Blanc, Todd Toups, Jase Darden, and Jake Darden.

Champions: (11 - 14) Billy St.Blanc, Derek Sisk, Clay Burgess.

Second: James Smith, Byron Toups, and Bryan Sisk.

Many comments were made on the improvement and good sportsmanship in our kids.

With the end of 3-on-3 play begins the Iddy Biddy league. Our 7 - 8 year old boys and girls are practicing to participate in the Franklin Biddy League. Practice is at the Chitimacha gym but games will be played at the Franklin City Park Recreation Center. Try and make a game and watch our future stars.

New basketball rims have been purchased for the outside basketball court. Soon you will be able to shoot some hoops on the nice rims.

Our 5th - 8th grade soccer team traveled to WillowWood in New Iberia for a scrimmage game. We didn't win but we played hard and never gave up. That's what makes our kids winners.

Our school Hoop Shoot winners competed in the West St. Mary Parish contest at Franklin Jr. High. We make a great showing: Chelsey Cook 1st, Jake Darden 3rd, Grant LaGarde 2nd, Morgan Martin 2nd, Jacob Darden 3rd, Beth Toups 3rd. Great Job Kids!

The Recreation Dept. would like to thank Cypress Bayou Casino for sponsoring 28 families to see the Harlem Globetrotters at the CajunDome in Lafayette. We all had a grand time. Adrienne Bernard even made her way on the court to dance with Globie.

Golf plans are being made for lessons during the Spring Break. I'll have more information in the new couple of weeks.

Pool plans are really coming together. Everyone is working hard to design a pool that will fit the entire community's needs. We will have a facility that will provide recreation, fitness programs and life saving skills.

Baseball and softball programs are being set up. We are in the process of putting together a 9 - 12 year old baseball team to compete in the Baldwin Little League. The league will begin with a preseason tournament on April 25th - 26th. Whiffle ball, t-ball and girls softball registration is March 8th. The league will begin with a preseason tournament on April 11th and 12th. We will be sending out a flyer with all registration dates, and opening dates as soon as we get the information. Our goal is to get as many children to participate in the summer leagues as we can. We need coaches to help especially with the younger teams. If you would like to help with any of these teams, we would appreciate and welcome your assistance.

Road races have begun. Many races are coming up soon. There are categories for all age groups including walkers and runners. If you would like to participate and need an entry form, give me a call. The next race is March 8th in Houma and March 9th in New Iberia. We have kids training for the events. You are more than welcome to join us.

I. LOUISIANA SAFETY BELT AND CHILD SAFETY SEAT LAWS

1995 Update

(Both laws are enforced on a primary basis)

Laws	Age/Size	Front Seat	Rear Seat	No Rear Seat
RS 32:295 Child Safety Seat	birth to 20 lbs (approx. 9 - 12 months)	Infant/convertible seat rear facing (<i>Infants must ride in rear seat in air bag equipped vehicles</i>)	Infant/convertible seat rear facing	Infant/convertible seat rear facing (<i>Cannot transport rear facing infants in air bag equipped vehicles</i>)
Same	20 lbs through 2nd yr	convertible seat forward facing	convertible seat forward facing	convertible seat forward facing
Same	3 and 4 year olds	convertible seat or booster seat	convertible seat, booster seat or safety belt	convertible seat or booster seat
RS 32:295.1 Safety Belt	persons 5 years and over	safety belt system installed in vehicle	safety belt use in rear seats is not required by law	

Notes:

1. Never put a rear facing child safety seat (those used with infants) in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with an air bag(s). The air bag could strike the back of the child seat, resulting in fatal injuries to the baby.
2. When a vehicle has an air bag(s), make sure that everyone in the front seat is properly buckled up (shoulder **AND** lap straps) and seated as far back from the air bag(s) as possible.
3. The rear seat is the safest place for children of any age to ride.
4. Child safety seats must be properly installed (harnesses fastened about child, seat affixed to the vehicle with seat belt, etc) and meet Federal Standard 213 (e.g. Not a household carrier.)
5. Safety belt violations are to be issued to the driver unless violator is a front seat passenger 14 years of age or older.
6. Child restraint violations are issued to the driver.

R.S. 32:295 CHILD SAFETY SEAT LAW - EXEMPTIONS:

- > bicycles
- > motor-driven cycles
- > trucks over 2000 lbs. carrying capacity
- > commercial trucks, vans, or taxis
- > emergency vehicles (including vehicles used in emergency)
- > farm tractors
- > recreational vehicles with capacity of 10 or more
- > children physically unable to be restrained
- > no. of children exceed no. of seat belts, unrestrained children to be placed in rear
- > school or church buses

R.S. 32:295.1 SAFETY BELT LAW - EXEMPTIONS:

- > motor vehicles manufactured prior to January 1, 1981
- > farm vehicles being operated within 5 miles of principle use
- > rural letter carriers of the U.S.P.S.
- > pickups over 6000 lbs. gross weight

II. OPEN PICKUP TRUCKS (R.S. 32:284) - Children under 6 years of age may not ride in the open bed of a pickup truck or utility trailer unless in an emergency situation **and** accompanied by an adult or in an authorized parade.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT NEWS

By: Peggy Gaddy, Health Director

CHOLESTEROL

reprinted from HEALTH magazine

Shrimp is full of cholesterol. but the real cholesterol danger lurks in the slyly packaged "cholesterol-free" cookie. You see, shrimp contains very little of the saturated fat that makes that cookie taste so good. And it's the *saturated fat* in food - not the cholesterol - that makes that has the greatest affect on your cholesterol level.

No wonder people are confused.

Here's your guide to understanding what it all means, because what *is* clear is the link between high cholesterol in your blood and heart disease. You'll find out whether you need a cholesterol test and what "good" cholesterol is, along with quick tips for creating a heart-healthy diet. What you won't find is a recipe for those cookies.

Cholesterol and Your Heart

Cholesterol, a white, waxy fat found naturally in your body, is used to build cell walls and make certain hormones. Too much of it, though, can clog your arteries and eventually choke off the supply of blood to the heart, which is the reason high cholesterol is a leading risk factor for heart disease.

Other factors that put you at risk include:

- high blood pressure
- smoking
- a family history of heart disease
- being male
- diabetes
- obesity

Putting Cholesterol To The Test

Who should be tested: Everyone aged 20 and older, according to the National Cholesterol Education Program, although some researchers and medical economists believe this may be overcautious. Their advice: Men with no risk factors can wait until age 35 to be tested; similar women, until age 45.

When: Once every five years.

By Whom: Preferably your doctor, who can measure LDL as well as total cholesterol. If you use an outside service:

Check to see that the testers are doctors, nurses, or medical technicians.

Get a written copy of your results to show to your doctor.

What It Means: The test measures the total amount of cholesterol in your blood: the HDL or "good" cholesterol, which cleanses arteries; plus the LDL or "bad" cholesterol, which builds up and clogs arteries. Here are guidelines for reading your test results.

NOTE: If your cholesterol level places you in the borderline group and you have two or more of the risk factors listed above, you're actually at *high* risk for heart disease.

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RISK	TOTAL CHOLESTEROL	LDL	HDL
High	above 239	above 159	less than 35
Borderline	200 - 239	130 - 159	N/A
Desirable	below 200	below 130	above 60

Exercise

Thirty minutes of aerobic exercise three or four times a week may be all you need to raise the level of beneficial HDL in your bloodstream. Working out also helps control weight, lower blood pressure, and reduce stress. Suggestions: *Brisk walking, running, swimming, cycling, dancing, jumping rope, skating, aerobics.*

Change The Fat Content of Your Meals

Following a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet can usually reduce your blood cholesterol by about 10 to 15 percent, thus lowering your risk of heart disease by 20 to 30 percent. Individual results will vary, depending on genetic makeup and former eating habits.

Reduce saturated fat, which raises the level of harmful LDL cholesterol in your blood (*butter, whole milk, cheese, ice cream, red meat, palm oil, palm kernel oil, coconut oil, hydrogenated soybean and cottonseed oils*).

Cut out meat products high in fat (*hamburger, bacon, sausage*).

Read labels carefully, and beware of foods that contain large amounts of hydrogenated vegetable oils, cocoa butter, coconut and palm oils, beef fat, or lard.

Remove the skin from poultry, trim the fat around meat, and use lean beef, pork, or veal.

Prepare at least one meatless meal a week.

snack on pretzels, air-popped popcorn, and fruit instead of candy, nuts, and chips.

Drink skim or low-fat milk, and be aware that cream substitutes are made with tropical oils.

Eat low-fat cheese, such as part-skim mozzarella.

Reduce cholesterol (*eggs, meats, butter, whole milk*).

Cook with egg whites instead of whole eggs.

> Avoid commercially prepared cookies, cakes, and pies.

Limit portion sizes of lean meat, fish, and poultry to no more than six ounces a day, or about the size of two decks of cards.

Eliminate organ meats (*liver, brain, kidney*) from your diet.

Eat more water-soluble fiber, such as oat bran, legumes, and fruit, which may help lower cholesterol levels when made part of a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet.

Eat saturated fats. Polyunsaturates lower your total blood cholesterol level-both LDL and HDL (*corn oil, sunflower seed oil, safflower oil*). Monounsaturates lower LDL levels but leave the beneficial HDL intact (*olive oil, canola oil*).

Cook and bake with vegetable oils such as canola, sunflower, corn, soybean, and olive.

Make your own salad dressing.

> Use soft margarine.

CULTURAL DEPARTMENT NEWS

By: Kimberly S. Walden

A ninety four (94) page English to Chitimacha and Chitimacha to English word finder has been sent to us from Julian Granberry, the linguist hired for the language restoration process. This is the second booklet to be completed in the series. This booklet will be very helpful and is fun to use when translating words in English to Chitimacha. Julian is presently putting this booklet on tape as he has done for the booklet on Chitimacha grammar.

Efforts were made to copy the original language tape sent to us along with the first booklet for mail out to the community households. We found that copies made by the department were not of good quality and arrangements are being made with a media production company to either enhance the quality of our original or to have Julian remake the tape with the company on a digitally mastered tape. After this process is complete, we will use the improved tape to make copies for mail out. We will have this done as soon as possible because we know that everyone is anxious to receive their book and tape.

I have prepared a short crossword puzzle to introduce twelve (12) Chitimacha words and their meanings in English. Use the clues provided to fill in the puzzle with English words. This will provide a match for the Chitimacha word written before the clue. A new puzzle will be placed in the newsletter each month for your enjoyment while also increasing your knowledge of the Chitimacha language.

A new Miss Chitimacha Nation Pageant entry deadline has been established. This will allow the contestants and the department more time to prepare for this important event. The new deadline is Thursday, March 27, 1997. All entry forms should be returned to the Cultural Department by 5:00 p.m. on that day. Girls, do not let the question/answer part of the pageant scare you, for you will be well prepared by the department through two or more required educational sessions.

We are still looking forward to the archaeological field trip to Opelousas. This has been put off temporarily due to the poor weather conditions we have been experiencing over the past few weeks.

We would like to thank Miss Chitimacha Nation, Nikina Vilcan and Miss Junior Chitimacha Nation, Nicole Clements for their participation in the recent Chitimacha Mardi Gras Parade. Next, the girls will be representing our Tribe at the McNeese State University Pow-Wow in Lake Charles on March 15th and 16th. Jules Darden also plans to dance in the grand entry on Saturday and Sunday.

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Anyone that would like information on this Pow-Wow can contact me or pass by the department and pick up a flyer. This Pow-Wow was a success last year and it is anticipated to be even better this year.

We are presently working to develop a dance curriculum to be taught at the Chitimacha Tribal School. An evening dance schedule is also being considered. Anyone interested in participating in evening dance/drum classes should contact me. This program will be based on community interest. More details concerning these classes will be given in next months newsletter.

NEWS FROM THE PAST

By: Melanie Marcotte

In 1718 the Chitimacha/French War was coming to its conclusion after twelve (12) years of battles, slavery and starvation. The Chief of the Chitimacha and forty of the Chitimacha were waiting near New Orleans to meet with Beenville.

The day of the peace ceremony arrived and M. Le Page du Pratz was there to witness and document the entire proceedings. The following is taken from his historical journal:

"I learned of the Chitimachas arrival and the moment of the ceremony, which the Commandant General (Bienville) had announced. I repaired thither, because in such circumstances it is proper that he be accompanied by a little court. It is the usage and does honor to the governor. My [Chitimacha] slave went with me in order to see her parents. I was so much the more pleased, because afterward I hoped she would explain to me the speech and the ceremonies of this solemn embassy. All that being new to me, I desired to inform myself of what I believed to merit the trouble.

I was with M. de Bienville when the Chitimacha arrived by the river in many piroques (canoes). They advanced singing the song of the calumet (pipe of the peace ceremony), which they waved in the wind and in cadence to announce their embassy (group of Chitimacha chosen to represent all the Tribe), which was one in face, composed of the word-bearer (Chief) and a dozen other men. On these occasions they are dressed in all that is finest according to their taste and never fail to have in hand a rattle in order to move that also in cadence (time with singing).

There was not more than a hundred paces from the place where the Chitimacha disembarked to the cabin of M. de Beenville, yet this small piece of ground sufficed to keep them on the way almost half an hour, always marching as the measure and cadence (song and dance)

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governed them. They ceased this music only when they were in front of the commandant. Then the chief of the troop, who was the word-bearer (Chief) said to him: 'It is you, then, and I with you?' The governor simply answered yes. They (Chitimacha) then seated themselves on the earth, resting their faces on their hands, the word-bearer (Chief), without doubt, in order to collect himself before delivering his speech, the others to keep silence, and all to recover their breath in accordance with their custom. In this interval we were warned not to laugh or speak during the harangue (a long speech), which they would have regarded as a great insult on our part.

The word-bearer (Chief) some moments afterward rose with two other; one filled the pipe of the calumet with tobacco, the other brought fire, and the first lighted the pipe. The word-bearer (Chief) smoked and presented it, after having wiped it, to M. de Bienville, that he might do the same thing; the governor smoked; we did the same thing one after the other; and this ceremony finished, the old man (Chief) took back the calumet and gave it to M. de Bienville, that he might keep it. Then this word-bearer (Chief) remained standing alone, and the other Chitimacha re-seated themselves near the presents (gifts) which they had brought for the governor. It consisted of untanned skins of deer and some other animals. The Chief was dressed in a robe made of many beaver skins, sewed together, which was fastened to the right shoulder and passed under the left arm. He wrapped his body in this robe and began the harangue (long speech), with a majestic air, in these terms, addressing his words to the governor:

My heart laughs with joy at seeing myself before you. We have all heard the word of peace which you have sent to us; the heart of all our nation laughs with joy even to trembling; the women, forgetting on the instant all that is past, have danced; the children have jumped, like young deer, and run about as if they had lost their senses. Your word will never be lost; our hearts and ears are filled with it, and our descendants will preserve it as long as the ancient word shall endure. As the war has made us poor, we have been compelled to hunt, in order to bring you the hides, and prepare the skins before coming; but our men did not dare to go far on the chase, on account of the other nations (Houma, Chaouachas, Bayougoulas), for fear lest they had not yet heard your word, and because they are jealous of us. We ourselves even have only followed our course in coming hither with trembling until we have seen your face.

How satisfied are my heart and my eyes to see you now, to speak myself to yourself, without fear that the wind carry off our words on the way!

Our gifts are small, but our hearts large to obey your word. When you speak you will see our legs run and leap like those of stags, to do what you wish. Here the word-bearer (Chief) struck an attitude (strong position): then raising his voice, he began again with gravity (seriousness):

Ah! How beautiful is this sun now in comparison with what it was when you were angry with us! How dangerous is a bad man! You know that one single person killed the Frenchman, whose death has made fall with him our best warriors; there remains to us only old men, women and children; you have demanded the head of the bad man, in order to make peace; we have sent it to you, and there is the only old warrior who has dared to attack him and kill him. Be not surprised at it; he has always been a true man and a true warrior; he is relation of our sovereign (Chief), and his heart wept day and night because his wife and child are no more since this war; but he is satisfied and I also now, because he has killed your enemy and his. Formerly the sun was red, the roads filled with brambles and thorns, the clouds were black, the water troubled and stained with our blood, our women wept unceasingly, our children cried with fright, the game fled far from us, our houses were abandoned, and our fields uncultivated, we all have empty bellies and our bones are visible.

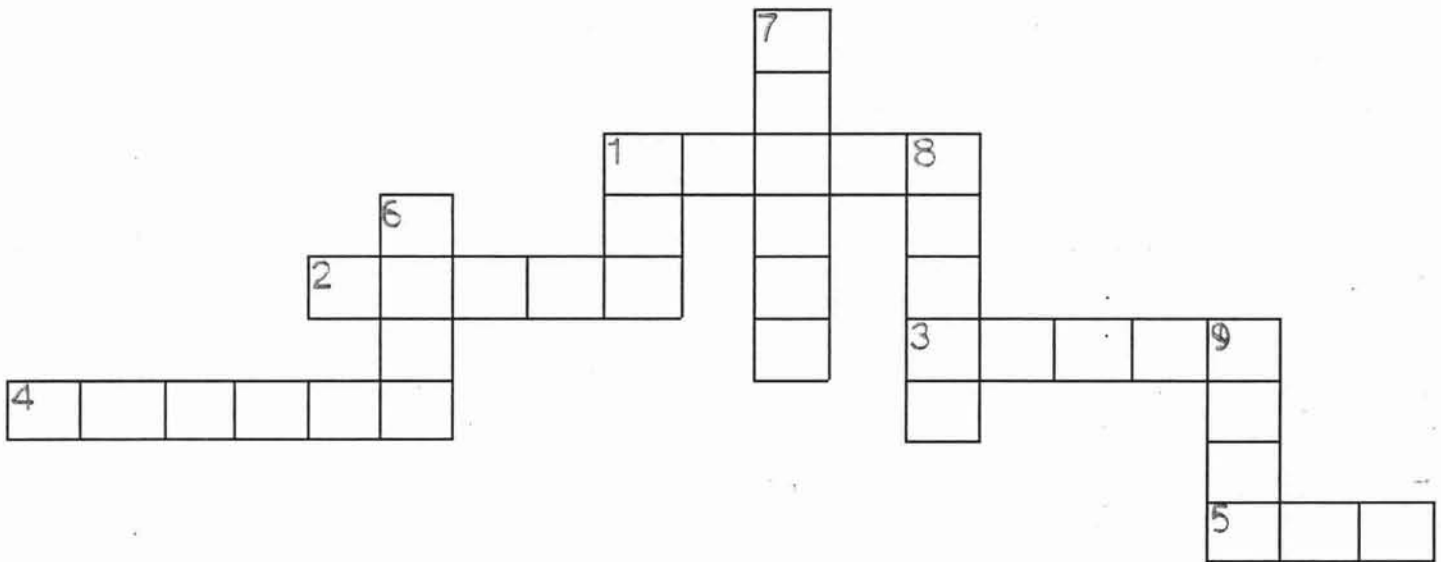
Now the sun is warm and brilliant, the heaven is clear, there are no more clouds, the roads are clean and pleasant, the water is so clear that we can see ourselves within it, the game comes back, our women dance until they forget to eat, our children leap like young fawns, the heart of the entire nation laughs with joy, to see that we will walk along the same road as you all. Frenchmen; the same sun will illuminate us; we will have but one word; our hearts will make but one, we will eat together like brothers; will that no be good, what say you?

With this the Chitimacha Chief Frambroise (taken from historical documents placing him there in that time period, also the Chief who was slave to the French in the early part of the war and escaped back to the Tribe) finished his speech. Bienville then replied to this discourse, pronounced in a firm tone, with all grace and propriety, with all the majesty possible, in a few words in the common language (Mobilian) which he spoke with facility; he had them eat, placed his hand in that of the Chief as a sign of friendship; and sent the Chitimacha away satisfied.

NEXT MONTH: The relationship between the Chitmacha and Spanish during this time period of 1700's.

CHITIMACHA CROSSWORDS

By: Kimberly Walden



ACROSS

- 1 - *Poo Panq* - third month of the year
- 2 - *kica* - opposite of man
- 3 - *saq* - opposite of wake
- 4 - *keta* - opposite of enemy
- 5 - *gee he* - opposite of no

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- 1 - *qasi* - opposite of woman
- 6 - *quxti* - something to eat
- 7 - *gasti* - opposite of south
- 8 - *hana* - dwelling place
- 9 - *waajika* - opposite of work

Pageant Entry Form For Miss Chitimacha Nation and Miss Junior Chitimacha Nation

(Deadline: March 27, 1997)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Age: _____

Educational Background: 1.) Please identify the school you currently attend or if not currently in school, the last school attended. 2.) High school graduation date. 3.) Current or last overall grade average.

Extra Curricular Activities and Hobbies:

*Remove staple from Newsletter,
detach form, fill out and return to:*

Chitimacha Cultural and Historical Research and Development Department

located at: Senior-Youth Center

Chitimacha Tribal School Compound

Phones: (318-923-4395 or 318-923-9923)

ANNOUNCEMENT

1997 MISS CHITIMACHA NATION AND MISS JUNIOR CHITIMACHA NATION PAGEANT

June 13, 1997

A pageant will be held in order to choose two female role models to represent the Tribe at various Chitimacha and intertribal events and functions.

RULES

- Must be a member of the Chitimacha Tribe
- Miss Chitimacha Nation contestants must be 17-21 years of age
- Miss Junior Chitimacha Nation must be 14-16 years of age
- Must be single, never married with no children
- Must be in traditional Chitimacha regalia/ dress
- Must attend two orientation sessions about the pageant, their role and responsibilities

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Chitimacha traditional regalia/ dress
- Knowledge of tribal history, traditional values, principles, customs, and traditions
- Some knowledge about the history of Indian peoples in this country and issues affecting Indian people past and present
- Answers to personal view questions
- Poise and presentation
- School academic standing
- Extra curricular activities and hobbies
- Ability to promote Indian America and reflect goodwill

The Chitimacha Cultural and Historical Research and Development Department will assist contestant preparation. This will be a good learning experience for all those who participate. We extend a warm, enthusiastic invitation and welcome.

STUDENT AID PROGRAM NEWS

By: Ardith Soprano, Continuing Education Coordinator

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS:

Applications for the Summer Semester will be issued in the near future. If you intend to attend classes this summer, please notify this office so that an application can be sent out to you. If you are new to the program, the following documents must be submitted as part of your application packet:

1. A copy of your high school or GED diploma or transcript.
2. A copy of your acceptance letter from the school of your choice (NOTE: the school must be accredited).
3. Supply documents showing that you have applied for Federal Financial Aid.

Your application will NOT be presented to the Scholarship Committee for consideration if the above documents are not provided by the application deadline. Should you need assistance during the application process, please feel free to call. I am here to assist you in your efforts to receive funding to further your education.

PROGRAM GUIDELINES:

The Student Aid Program Guidelines are ready for distribution. Because there are many changes in the guidelines, it has been decided to hold a training session to acquaint each program participant with these changes.

All current and new participants are advised to attend this training session. The session will be held on March 22, 1997 from 12:30 pm - until. Issues to be discussed include:

1. The Guideline Revisions
2. Community Pay Back Program
3. Other issues - to be announced.

Students unable to attend are required to notify this office to make arrangements to pick up their guideline booklet.

GED PROGRAM NEWS:

By: Ardith Soprano, Continuing Education Coordinator

GED classes are held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Classes are held in the cafeteria of the Chitimacha Tribal School. Thus far we have had four students pass the GED exam!!! We are waiting on the results of the exam on one more student. We can't wait to get the results!

If you are registered, please try to attend on a regular basis. Your attendance is necessary in order to keep the program going. Any one wishing to register for the GED Program can contact me - Ardith Soprano at 923-7000.

HOUSING NEWS:

By: Marilyn Burgess

HOUSING COMMISSIONERS:

I would like to welcome Earlene Thomas and Joey Bernard as the two new housing commissioners. I look forward to working with them and feel that they will be a great asset to the Board.

NEW HOUSING ACT:

On October 1, 1997, the new Indian Housing Act will become effective. When applying for development, we will no longer be competing with other Tribes but will be formula funded. The Formula Committee, which consists of Tribal Chairmen and Housing personnel from Housing Authorities across the nation, is presently meeting to work out all of the details. There are a lot of questions that are still unanswered, however, we must be ready when the Act goes into effect.

The first step that the Tribe must take to be in compliance with this new Act is to appoint a Tribally Designated Housing Entity. At the Tribal Council Meeting on Thursday, February 26, 1997, the Council passed a resolution appointing the current Housing Authority as this entity.

At this time, we are working on a Needs Assessment Survey that will be mailed to all Tribal Members, after it is approved by the Tribal Council. We are asking for your cooperation, when you receive this survey, in filling it out and mailing it back to us, since this is another important part of a 1 and a 5 year plan that needs to be in place by June 1, 1997.

We will keep you abreast as we learn more details of this new Act.

I would like to say, "THANKS!" to Patty LeBlanc, Earlene Thomas and Chuck Fontenot for all of their help in preparing for the New Housing Act. They have been putting in a lot of time and I truly appreciate it.

HOUSING MEETINGS:

Our regular housing meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 5:00 P.M. at the Housing Office. I ask for your cooperation when you wish to be placed on the agenda, by calling me no later than 5:00 P.M. on the Wednesday before the meeting. I try to post the meeting notices a week in advance so that everyone is aware of the date.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Marguerite Vietta will be here during the week of March 10 to help the Housing Department and Tribal Council work on the 1 and 5 year plans and also to help with establishing new policies and procedures for housing.

On March 20 and 21, personnel from housing and the Tribe, along with the Tribal Council will be attending a Housing Law Seminar at the Multi-Purpose Center. This seminar is sponsored by the Falmouth Institute.

On March 24 - 27, 1997, Earlene Thomas, Joey Bernard, Chuck Fontenot and I will be attending a Comprehensive Housing Plan Course in Oklahoma City, which is being sponsored by the National American Indian Housing Council.

HIP APPLICATIONS:

As always, if you are interested in HIP assistance, come by the office and pick up an application. **ALL APPLICATIONS ARE HANDLED THROUGH THE HOUSING OFFICE AND NOT THE MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER.** Applications are reviewed and ranked according to the guidelines set forth by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

IF ANYONE HAS A QUESTION OR WOULD LIKE TO JUST SIT AND TALK ABOUT HOUSING ISSUES, PLEASE CALL OR COME BY THE OFFICE AND I WILL BE MORE THAN WILLING TO ASSIST YOU. AGAIN, IF I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER, I WILL TRY MY BEST TO GET IT FOR YOU. THE NUMBER TO THE HOUSING-OPERATIONS OFFICE IS 923-9125.

Human Services Department
By: Lois Rider, Director

According to the Center For Substance Abuse Prevention, the use of marijuana has doubled since 1990. Also, they report younger and younger students are smoking it. The average age for first use is now 9 to 12 years old. The marijuana being distributed now is much stronger than what was being used ten years ago. Also it is being mixed with other substances that increase its potency. Marijuana is what is called a "gateway" drug. That is, many people who start using marijuana go on to use stronger drugs. Since younger adolescents are beginning to use marijuana, it is expected that there will be even more long-term consequences in the future. They include:

CANCER

Studies show that someone who smokes five joints per week may be taking in as many cancer-causing chemicals as someone who smokes a full pack of cigarettes every day.

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

Someone who smokes marijuana regularly will have many of the same respiratory problems that tobacco smokers have. They have symptoms of daily cough and phlegm (chronic bronchitis) and more frequent chest colds. Continuing marijuana smoking can lead to abnormal function of the lungs and airways.

IMMUNE SYSTEM

People with HIV/AIDS and others whose immune systems are impaired should avoid marijuana use because it is unclear how marijuana affects the immune system.

REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM

Heavy marijuana use can affect hormones in both males and females, so it can affect bodily gender characteristics and reproductive function. Heavy doses of the drug may delay the onset of puberty in young men. Marijuana also can have adverse effects on sperm production. Among women, regular marijuana use can disrupt the normal monthly menstrual cycle and inhibit the discharge of eggs from the ovaries.

PREGNANCY

Smoking marijuana during pregnancy may cause damage to the unborn child. Preliminary findings from a 15-year study indicate that prenatal exposure to marijuana impairs decision making, future planning, cognition, and sustained attention among marijuana-exposed babies.

DEPENDENCE

Some users suffer withdrawals if they do not use marijuana.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY BREAKDOWN

Perhaps the greatest concern associated with the increase we are seeing in marijuana use is not only the impact on individuals but its impact on relationships and on communities. Adolescence is a time when young people learn the value of being a responsible citizen,

a trusted friend, a respectful and useful son or daughter, and a loving girlfriend or boyfriend. They are separating from their childhood place in the family and taking on more independence that allows them to give back to the family in new and different ways. In the same fashion, they become part of the community through their participation in volunteer activities, school programs, sports, and other efforts. What happens if young people skip these activities and start using marijuana and/or other drugs instead? What happens to those families? What happens to the relationship between teenagers and their friends? Between them and their girlfriends and boyfriends? What happens to the outlook for the community? Will it be a safe place for their younger brothers and sisters? What kind of foundation is being built? What support systems will be in place?

It is, therefore, in our best interest to help youth realize that marijuana use is illegal, harmful, and not acceptable. Pro-marijuana use messages are everywhere. Young people need our help to counter these messages and images and to understand the existing facts regarding marijuana use. Finally, helping young people to adopt healthful lifestyles is likely to result in significant savings in long-term health care costs and in increased workplace productivity. Young people who do not do drugs are more likely to stay in school and learn self-respect. They also are more likely to experience more positive outcomes in life.

If you would like to have more information on the use and effects of marijuana, feel free to stop by the Human Services Department and pick up some pamphlets or ask for information.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

CASE MANAGER/PREVENTION SPECIALIST

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Case Manager/Prevention Specialist will have the responsibility of the out reach duties of the Human Services Department and Prevention activities in the community and school.

QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's degree or higher in Social Work. Able to work flexible hours when deemed necessary. Good communication, teaching and reporting skills. Must have own transportation and hold a valid driver's license. Must be willing to travel.

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AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT AND THE
INDIAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT 25 U.S.C 1301.

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WITH CHILDREN AND/OR MINORS, A
BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION WILL BE
REQUIRED.

THIS IS A SAFETY-SENSITIVE POSITION AND IS
SUBJECT TO RANDOM DRUG TESTING.

TO APPLY: Please send resume to the Personnel Officer, Multi-Purpose Building or to the address below before the close of business, (5:00 p.m.), Wednesday, March 12, 1997.

**"Case Manager/Prevention Specialist"
Personnel Officer
Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana
P O Box 661
Charenton LA 70523**

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

EARLY CHILDHOOD COORDINATOR

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Early Childhood Coordinator will have the responsibility of acting in the role of parent educator, screener, program planner and implementer, and health/developmental data collector to parents of and children age birth through two years old.

QUALIFICATIONS: Must have current state credentialing as a provider of pediatric care (i.e., licensure as a registered nurse, as an appropriately qualified and credentialed allied health care professional). Must have documentation to verify specific knowledge of typical and atypical development of infants and toddlers in the birth through two year age range. Must be able to demonstrate possession of skills required to assume the roles, tasks, and activities of the position of Early Childhood Coordinator.

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**"Early Childhood Coordinator"
Personnel Officer
Chitimacha Tribe of LA
P O Box 661
Charenton LA 70523**

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

CUSTODIAN

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Custodian is responsible for all interior maintenance, assist with janitorial of the school, assist with janitorial duties for the Senior/Youth building and is primarily responsible for grass cutting at the school.

QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma or equivalent. Must be receptive to recommended training. Must have or be willing to obtain a commercial driver's license. This position is 40 hours per week with occasionally scheduled intensive cleaning operations after office hours. Mechanical and electrical experience desirable.

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TO APPLY: You may **pick up** an application at the Multi-Purpose building between the hours of 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. on Fridays. Deadline to apply is March 17, 1997.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

CLASSROOM TEACHER

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Classroom Teacher will be responsible for creating a flexible educational program and a class environment favorable to learning and personal growth; motivate pupils to develop skills, attitudes and knowledge needed to provide a good educational foundation, in accordance with each pupil's ability and to establish good relationships with parents and other staff members. This position is for Kindergarten.

QUALIFICATIONS: Must possess a valid Louisiana teaching certificate (1 - 8) pertinent to teaching assignment. Elementary certified (K - 8).

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"Classroom Teacher"
Personnel Officer
Chitimacha Tribe of LA
P O Box 661
Charenton LA 70523

CHITIMACHA TRIBAL SCHOOL

DAILY MENU SCHEDULE

MARCH 1997

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
March 3, 1997 Breakfast Waffle, Ham Juice & Milk Lunch Chili Corn Chips, Salad, Cornbread Muffin, Fruit & Milk	March 4, 1997 Breakfast Breakfast Pizza, Juice & Milk Lunch Ice Skating, Bag Lunch	March 5, 1997 Breakfast Cereal, Toast, Juice & Milk Lunch Baked Chicken, Baked Beans, Beets, Roll, Fruit & Milk	March 6, 1997 Breakfast Biscuit, Sausage, Juice & Milk Lunch Pizza Pockets, Salad, Cookie, Fruit & Milk	March 7, 1997 Breakfast Grits, Eggs, Juice & Milk Lunch Shrimp Stew, Potato Salad, Roll, Fruit & Milk
March 10, 1997 Breakfast Ham & Cheese Buddies, Juice & Milk Lunch Hamburger Steaks, Baked Potato, Salad, Roll, Fruit & Milk	March 11, 1997 Breakfast French Toast, Ham, Juice & Milk Lunch Hot Dogs w/Chili, Tator Tots, Cookie, Fruit & Milk	March 12, 1997 Breakfast Cereal, Toast, Juice & Milk Lunch Baked Pork Chops, Parsley Potato, Roll Beets, Fruit & Milk	March 13, 1997 Breakfast Biscuit, Sausage, Juice & Milk Lunch Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Garlic Bread, Fruit & Milk	March 14, 1997 Breakfast Donuts, Cheese Sticks, Juice & Milk Lunch Crawfish Etouffee, Green Beans, Sliced Bread, Fruit & Milk
March 17, 1997 Breakfast Pancakes, Ham, Juice & Milk Lunch Tacos, Lettuce/Tomato, Cornbread Muffin, Corn, Fruit & Milk	March 18, 1997 Breakfast Oatmeal, Sausage, Juice & Milk Lunch Roast w/Gravy, Roll, Steamed Rice, Creamed Corn, Fruit & Milk	March 19, 1997 Breakfast Cereal, Toast, Juice & Milk Lunch B-B-Q Chicken, Rice Dressing, Baked Beans, Roll, Fruit & Milk	March 20, 1997 Breakfast Biscuit, Sausage, Juice & Milk Lunch Red-Beans w/Rice, Sausage, Salad, Roll, Fruit & Milk	March 21, 1997 Breakfast Eggs, Hash Browns, Juice & Milk Lunch Tuna Sandwich, Lettuce, Cake, Fruit & Milk
March 24, 1997 Breakfast Waffle, Ham, Juice & Milk Lunch Beef Stew w/Rice, Salad, Roll, Fruit & Milk	March 25, 1997 Breakfast Ham & Cheese Buddies, Juice & Milk Lunch Oven Fried Chicken, Rice Dressing, Coleslaw, Roll, Fruit & Milk	March 26, 1997 Breakfast Cereal, Hash Browns, Juice & Milk Lunch Spaghetti, Sweet Peas, Garlic Bread, Fruit & Milk	March 27, 1997 Breakfast Biscuit, Sausage, Juice & Milk Lunch Ham Sandwich, French Fries, Salad, Fruit & Milk	Good Friday School Closed

The monthly Bingo will be held on Wednesday, March 12 at the Chitimacha School Gym. The doors will be open at 5:30 p.m. and the games will start at 6:30 p.m. Please come out and support your school.

CHITIMACHA SENIOR PROGRAM CALENDAR
DAILY MENU SCHEDULE
MARCH 1997

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
March 3, 1997 Meat Loaf, Parsley Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Rolls and Banana Pudding Activity: Lil Bingo	March 4, 1997 Pork Roast, Rice, Lima Beans, Asparagus, Rolls and Ice Cream Activity: Lil Bingo	March 5, 1997 Breakfast Baked Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn, Salad, Rolls and Pudding Activity: Shopping	March 6, 1997 AOA Festival Trip Baton Rouge, LA.	March 7, 1997 Shrimp Okra Gumbo, Potato Salad, Rice, Rolls and Brownies
March 10, 1997 Smothered Steak, Rice, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls and Cracker Pudding Activity: Lil Bingo	March 11, 1997 Baked Ham, Corn Maque Choux, Cheese Potatoes, Salad, Rolls and Cookies Activity: Lil Bingo	March 12, 1997 Breakfast Groundmeat Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Potato Salad and Cup Cakes Activity: Shopping	March 13, 1997 Beef Stew, Rice, Beet Salad, Rolls and Apple Pie Activity: Lil Bingo	March 14, 1997 Tuna Fish, Salmon Patties, Potato Salad and Jello
March 17, 1997 Pork Chops, Creamed Potatoes, Peas, Rolls and Fruit Activity: Lil Bingo	March 18, 1997 Smothered Chicken, Rice, White Beans, Rolls, Cabbage and Banana Pudding Activity: Lil Bingo	March 19, 1997 Breakfast Crawfish Stew, Rice, Potato Salad, Rolls and Cake Activity: Regular Bingo	March 20, 1997 Chicken Fried Steak, Candied Yams, Corn, Rolls and Fruit Activity: Shopping	March 21, 1997 Shrimp Stew, Rice, Green Salad, Rolls and Lemon Pie
March 24, 1997 Red Bean and Rice, Sausage, Cabbage, Rolls and Fruit Activity: Lil Bingo	March 25, 1997 Brisket, Rice Dressing, Green Beans, Rolls and Orange Surprise Activity: Lil Bingo	March 26, 1997 Baked Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Peas & Carrots, Rolls and Pie Activity: Shopping	March 27, 1997 Pork Roast, candied Yams, Rice, Lima Beans, Corn, Rolls and Ice Cream Activity: Lil Bingo	March 28, 1997 † GOOD † FRIDAY CENTER CLOSED

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 1 - Gert Eddlemon

March 3 - Velma Vilcan

March 2 - Dora Burgess

March 11 - James Boudreaux

March 2 - Robert Boudreaux

March 14 - Helen Mora

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU AND WE WISH YOU MANY MORE!!!

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Call Debbie @ 318 923-4973 to place an Ad

Prayer Meeting

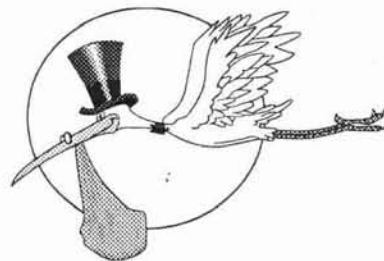
8 p.m. - Mondays
Starting March 3 @
the Residence of:
Carolyn Savage
165 Choctaw Street

*Congratulations to
Kelly Anne Thomas and Timothy Young Beacham on your
marriage on February 4, 1997*

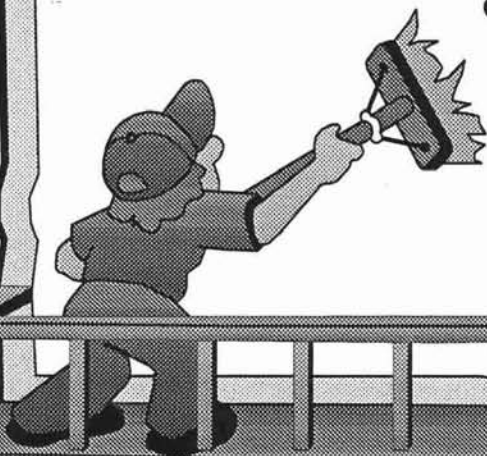
Congratulations to
Kelly Darden Higgins - A BOY!!!

and to

Naomi Darden Guillory and Albert Guillory
A Girl named Sara Ellen - 7 lbs. 11 ozs. - 20 inches



Congratulations are also in order to:
Dwane Darden on making it to
the state competition in February
with his FFA hog



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